Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) Yes.

(b) It was a private function arranged by the Commissioner of Police. Commenced after 9 p. m.

(c) No answer is necessary in view of the above.

(d) Vide answer (b).

(e) Not necessary in view of answer (b).

(f) do.

Circuit diary and T. A. of the Prosecuting Inspector.

143. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased—

(a) to place on the table the diary of the Courts visited by the Prosecuting Inspector of Police in the month of Makaram 1100 and the nature of the work transacted each day;

(b) to state (i) the average T. A. drawn by the Prosecuting Inspector per mensem during six months just before the present Commissioner took charge, and (ii) the average travelling allowance drawn by him for six months beginning from 1st Mithunam 1100;

(c) the highest amount of travelling allowance drawn by him per month last year;

(d) to state the exact number of officers including Police constables who were absent on leave on the 20th of Meenam 1101 in the Police Department;

(e) the highest number of constables who were absent on leave a day during the course of this year?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) The circuit diary is placed on the Council table for reference. A perusal of the same will show the nature of the work transacted.

(b) (i) Rs. 69—13—0.

(ii) Rs. 101—15—4.

(c) Rs. 110—5—0.

(d) 55.

(e) It involves a laborious task to supply the information, and the Government do not think it worth the trouble.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—May I know what the pay of the Prosecuting Inspector is?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Rupees 150.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—He has received Rs. 110-5-0 as his T. A. Before the present Commissioner took charge, he was only getting Rs. 69-13-0. What is the reason for this abnormal increase?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—Before I came here, the prosecuting work was sometimes given to the

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Head Quarter Inspector and also to the Camp Sub-Inspector. This is not done after my coming here. I stopped that practice.

The payment of salary to the Reserve Force.

144. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) why the salary of the Reserve Force is paid only much later than the payment of the other Policemen;

(b) when the salary of the Town Police for Vrischigam 1101 was disbursed;

(c) the reasons for the delay; and

(d) whether payments of such poor subordinates could not be made in all stations by the 2nd of the succeeding months?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) The salary of the Reserve Force is paid on the 2nd or 3rd of every month. Hence the statement is not correct.

(b) On the 19th of Dhanu.

(c) On account of the Christmas holidays.

(d) This is not possible.

The prohibition of motor traffic during the Trichur Pooram festival.

145. Mr. T. A Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether there were orders for the Policemen on duty at the Trichur Pooram festival to prohibit the use of motor vehicles through the 'Round', and if so, the authority who issued the order;

(b) whether anybody was exempted from the rule;

(c) whether the cars of the Police Commissioner and the Diwan Peishkar were allowed through the prohibited roads, and if so, the special reasons for same?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) The local Second Class Magistrate had issued orders that all *buses* should be stopped a furlong distant from the 'Round' during the Pooram festival.

(b) No.

(c) The question does not arise.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Did this prohibition extend to cars also?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—The roads were too crowded for vehicles to pass during the Pooram day, and so this prohibition was extended to all sorts of conveyances.

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